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JAM, Essex Brand, Raspberry, 1 lb. jar 10c  
FRUIT, Goodwillie Preserved, per jar 25c  
JAM, Cross & Blackwell's, Raspberry or Strawberry, 1-lb. tin, 10c  
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PEANUT BUTTER, per jar 15c  
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Miss M. Spencer and Miss E. Grant, Reserve, Miss Lovell, Vice-Captain's team—Goal, Miss D. Baine; fullbacks, Miss J. Vincent and Miss M. Lowe; forwards, Misses, Misses, Misses; goalkeepers, Misses, Misses, Misses.

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**CLERGYMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE**

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 18.—Rev. E. W. Donnell, for five years pastor of the Baptist church of Reedley, has attempted suicide in that town by shooting himself. He had been suffering for some time with nervous trouble and this illness is thought to be the cause of the act. He has a wife and several children. He is still alive.

**BIG ISSUE OF B. C. ELECTRIC STOCK**

London, Dec. 18.—The London stock exchange has listed 243,360 additional shares of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. Application has been made to list £1,000,000 worth of stock on the British Columbia electric railway.

**KATALLA RESIDENTS STARVING.**

Appeal for Food Is Made by Means of Wireless.

Valdez, Alaska, Dec. 18.—A wireless message from the steamship Portland says that in a heavy storm off Katalla a wireless message was received from Katalla that the residents of that town are starving and must have food. No boat has touched at Katalla since October, owing to the rough seas that have prevailed there for months. The steamship Portland will make a heroic effort to land supplies for the starving people.

**PORQUOI PAS SAILS.**

Dr. Charcot's Vessel Leaves Punta Arenas for the South Pole.

Punta Arenas, Dec. 18.—The French steamer Porquoi Pas, with Dr. Charcot's expedition on board, sailed from here yesterday in search of the South Pole. The steamer took on board a large quantity of supplies.

**HAS REASON FOR GOING TO HELL**

Rockingham, N. C., Dec. 18.—Henry Harvey, a negro who was hanged here yesterday for murder, refused the attentions of the ministers, saying, "I want to go to hell for a special purpose."

**COSGROVE GETTING BETTER.**

Paso Robles, Cal., Dec. 18.—Governor-elect Cosgrove, of Washington, continues to make great improvement. His son intends returning to Washington very soon. The governor prefers to go to Olympia for inauguration, but his physician says that he should remain here for several weeks longer.

**SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO.**

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 18.—In a report to the provincial board of health, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, provincial health officer, states that smallpox is present in a large number of municipalities throughout the province.

**CANADA COMPANY DIVIDEND.**

London, Dec. 18.—The Canada Company has declared a half yearly dividend of eight shillings per share, making 14 per cent. for the year.

**U. S. SECRETARY OF WAR.**

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 18.—At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night resolutions were adopted requesting President-elect Taft to retain Secretary of War Luke E. Wright in his cabinet.

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**BOARD OF TRADE COUNCIL MEETS****COMMITTEES REPORT ON IMPORTANT MATTERS****Island Development Plans Meet With Hearty Co-operation.**

In spite of its being one of the busiest seasons of the year with merchants and business men generally, the members of the board of trade are more than usually occupied with the consideration of matters affecting the business interests of the city and of the island. There are one or two committees being held every day at present, and this has been so for the last couple of weeks.

At the meeting of the council held this morning reports were received on several matters, but there is a great deal more business which is not yet in shape for report.

The trade and commerce committee reported upon a simple form of bill of lading for which the approval of the railway commission is to be asked. The committee called attention to section 2 of the conditions printed upon the back, defining the liability of railway companies while using waterways for transportation, and recommended an amendment to that clause providing that railway companies shall assume the marine risk in the carriage of goods between the mainland and Vancouver Island.

The council adopted the suggestion.

Another matter on which the same committee reported was a representation from the Queen Charlotte Islands Settlers' Association that they feared the islands would receive only one mail a month during the winter. The committee had looked into the matter and ascertained that it was the intention of the C. P. R. to continue the bi-monthly service to the islands throughout the winter.

The association will be informed to that effect.

The committee also submitted a list of twelve subjects with the suggestion that the board should prepare resolutions upon these for presentation at the seventh congress of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, to be held in Sydney, N. S. W., next September. This matter will be taken up later.

The B. C. Fruit Growers' Association will hold its annual meeting in this city on January 27th next, and it was decided to place the board's rooms at the disposal of the association on that occasion.

The special committee made a report on several postal matters, and after discussion the report was referred back for further consideration.

An acknowledgment was received from the city clerk of the board's resolution endorsing the Tourist Association's application for the funds necessary to carry on the city publicity campaign.

The members of the council in attendance this morning were President Simon Leiser, Vice-President L. A. Genge, H. G. Wilson, George Carter, J. A. Mara, C. H. Lugin, J. J. Shallick, Ald. Richard Hall, T. W. Patterson and J. L. Beckwith, and Fred Elworthy, secretary.

The special committee on the development of Vancouver Island is meeting almost daily. Responses to the request for the appointment of delegates from other boards and municipalities throughout the island continue to come in, and all promise hearty co-operation in the formation of a strong association to deal with island matters generally. The people of Vancouver Island appear to be aroused as they never have been before in regard to the development of the immense resources of the island. The committee will probably be in a position to make a report at the January meeting of the board.

The committee which is dealing with Victoria city and port matters has held several meetings, but is not prepared with any interim report yet.

**BISHOP CRIDGE IS****REGAINING STRENGTH**

He Received Many Congratulations Upon His Ninety-first Birthday.

The many friends of Bishop Cridge in this city will be glad to learn that he has greatly improved in health. If he receives no further setback the venerable head of the Reformed Episcopal church expects to be able to take part in the Christmas services. Yesterday was his ninety-first birthday and many called at his home to congratulate him upon attaining the advanced age. He was in excellent spirits and in spite of the fact that he had not been in the best of health for several weeks past did not appear to be a man entering upon his ninety-second year.

**GIRL-GAVE PRISONER KNIFE**

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18.—Bessie Clark, a 15-year-old girl, now confined in the county jail, is charged with having carried notes from Howard Duceless, who cut his way to freedom with a penknife, to James Keely, the boy who is alleged to have murdered Frank L. Brown, motor-man of the P street line. In this way Duceless obtained the knife which gained him his freedom.

—Mr. Justice Martin, having got pretty well through the work piled up in a series of assize sittings on the mainland, has been assigned to sit in chambers here until the full court gets through at Vancouver, and other arrangements are made. His lordship will sit every morning except Saturday and during the Christmas vacation, and began this morning, when he heard a couple of small matters.

**DELAY IN LETTING GLENFARG CONTRACT****Lloyd's Want Temporary Repairs, But Local Surveyor Recommends Doing All.**

The contract for the repairs to the Glenfarg has not yet been let. On receipt of the amount of the tenders Lloyd's cabled from London to try to arrange for temporary repairs. The vessel was accordingly re-surveyed by their official surveyor, T. G. Mitchell, who has reported that nothing but complete repairs would be satisfactory. Now Lloyd's have arranged for the steamer to lie in the drydock until Tuesday, and in the meantime they will decide what is best to be done. The London agency apparently cannot understand the difference in conditions at this point compared with those obtaining in London, where wages are very low.

It is expected that some decision will be arrived at on Monday and in the meantime it is very probable that an expert from the outside will examine the ship and advise the underwriters as to the course they should take.

The children of Kingston Street school, this afternoon, carried gifts to the school for distribution among those who are not so fortunately situated at the Christmas season. Their principal, Miss Lawson, takes a great interest in this work and has succeeded in inducing her scholars, with some of her own enthusiasm, to make a big pile of good things to eat and wear, and of toys and picture books for the children, that was contributed.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

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FOR SALE—New seven roomed house, all modern improvements, with two large lots, close to car line and school, only \$5,000. Address J. W., Times Office.

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**THE FIRST SOCIAL DANCE.**

Combina and Illumination of a Christmas Tree of the International Geneva Association of Hotel and Restaurant Employees, Section Victoria, B. C., will be held in aid of their special relief fund on Monday next, 21st December, at the A. O. C. W. Hall, at 3.30 p. m. Admission, one lady and one gentleman, \$1.50; extra lady, 50c; including light refreshment. The Empress Hotel orchestra will play that evening.

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20 PER CENT. REDUCTION on all pianos this month, at Walfr's Music House.

REMEMBER that we always save you 15 cents on each 35 cents you are willing to spend; like all postal cards 10 for 10c; the English solid brass candlesticks, \$1.50 a pair, instead of \$3 the pair; the old hand-painted Japanese prints, 25c, instead of 40c; jewellery at 1-3 the price you pay elsewhere; also Indian curios and baskets; the large, clear, oval cut amber necklaces at \$5, instead you would pay \$10. Open evenings, 11, Stadhagen, Indian trader, 73 Johnson street.

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Ladies' Vici Kid Turn Sole Slippers, one, two and four straps, for ..... \$1.50	Men's Tan Kid Romeo Slippers for ..... \$2.50
Ladies' Patent Kid and Vici Kid Four Strap Slippers, wood Cuban heels, American make, for ..... \$3.00	Men's Felt Romeo Slippers, felt soles, for ..... \$1.50 and \$1.25
	Men's Patent Colt Blucher, Gold Bond make Regular \$6.00 for ..... \$4.65

Ladies' Warm Lined Moccasin Slippers, fur tops, in black and brown leather, for ..... \$1.75 and \$2.30  
Men's Warm Lined Moccasin Slippers, black and brown seal, for ..... \$2.00 and \$2.25

CHRISTMAS SHOES, MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S	CHRISTMAS SHOES FOR BOYS AND LITTLE MEN
Misses' Patent Colt Bluchers, with mat kid and tan suede tops, for ..... \$2.50	Boys' Patent Calf Bluchers, mat calf top, welted, for ..... \$3.00 and \$2.50
Misses' Tan Calf Bluchers, for ..... \$2.50	Boys' English K. Boots, waterproof, for ..... \$3.25
Misses' Vici Kid Bluchers, patent tips, American make, for ..... \$2.00 and \$1.75	Boys' Carpet Slippers, for ..... 60c
Misses' Patent Colt and Vici Kid Strap Slippers, spring heel, for ..... \$1.35	Little Men's Patent Colt Bluchers, for ..... \$2.00 and \$1.75
Infants' Soft Sole Lace Boots and Strap Slippers, all colors, for ..... 50c	Little Men's Black and Tan Vici Kid Bluchers, sizes up to 10½, for ..... \$1.25
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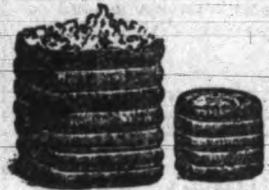
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## FAMILY OF ARMY VETERAN IS STARVING

Toronto Magistrate Receives  
Pitiful Letter—Living in  
One Room.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 18.—Touched by the despairing letter of a man forced almost to desperation by the sight of his wife and children in hunger and with scarcely enough clothes to cover them, Chief of Police Grassett interested himself in the case, and as a result of an investigation of the story is lending his assistance in helping the unfortunate man out of his trouble.

The man is out of work and penniless, and his wife and three children were facing starvation. He came to Canada last summer after serving with distinction in the South African war, gaining two medals, one with six clasps. Since arriving in Canada he has had occasional work, but for some time has not been able to get anything to do. "I have been advised to beg or steal," he told Inspector Duncan, "but I cannot do that. I do not want charity; I want work. I don't care what it is or how much I get paid as long as it will keep my family from starving."

One of the detectives went to the house where the man was living. He found the family crowded in one small room. It was almost destitute of furniture, and the children were without shoes and stockings. Everything that had a value had been sold to provide food. The youngest child was afflicted with an incurable disease of the spine, and the father had been unable to get it into an hospital or to procure medical attention.

"It is one of the few cases of genuine suffering I have come across," said Inspector Duncan.

The city relief officer has attended to the immediate wants of the family, but they are still in need of assistance. The detectives at headquarters have opened a subscription on the man's behalf, and an effort is being made to find him employment.

## GORGEOUS CEREMONY AT SUBLIME PORTE

Opening of Turkish Parliament  
Marks Epoch in Political  
History of Europe.

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—After an interval of thirty-two years, Turkey yesterday entered upon a second attempt at constitutional government with the inauguration of the new parliament elected under the constitution promulgated by the Sultan. The Sultan opened parliament in person with elaborate ceremony.

The scene was perhaps the most remarkable in the political history of the world. All the creeds and races of the Turkish empire sent their duly elected representatives, and the varied costumes of the delegates, some in flowing silk robes, and others in the fashionable frock coat, formed a gorgeous and multi-colored picture, never before witnessed in a legislative gathering in Europe. Albanians, Syrians and Arabs were among the Moslem representatives, while Greeks, Armenians and Bulgars represented the Christian nationalities.

So far as can be judged from surface indications the new parliament has entered upon its duties with a united determination to carry out successfully the aims of the bloodless revolution which made possible the inauguration of a constitutional regime in Turkey.

Joy in Salonica.  
Salonica, European Turkey, Dec. 18.—The whole of Salonica turned out yesterday to celebrate the first meeting of the new Turkish parliament. The streets of the city are filled with people marching in procession and otherwise demonstrating their joy at this first step toward a constitutional regime. Many persons have come in from the surrounding country for the occasion, and the day was declared a general holiday. A feature of the celebration was a review of the local garrison.

American Congratulations.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—A resolution directing that the best wishes and congratulations be sent to the newly convened parliament of Turkey, was agreed to by both Houses of Congress.

## SASKATCHEWAN BONSPIEL

Regina, Sask., Dec. 18.—The Saskatchewan bonspiel prize list announced yesterday, shows seven competitions and prizes to the value of \$2,150.

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Not the wealthiest, not the most learned, nor the idler—but the man who has good health and works for his living. This truth is true, but not trivial.

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## SCHOOL BOARD TO ASK FOR LOAN BY-LAW

At Special Meeting To-night  
Formal Request Will Be  
Made.

The special meeting of the school board which will be held this evening will probably be the last held by the present board. The city council not having \$50,000 to pay the board for extraordinary purposes the board will frame a formal request to the council for the submission of a loan by-law to the ratepayers. This the council is bound by law to do. Of the \$50,000 one-third will be required to supplement the \$47,000 balance of the last loan, to go towards the cost of the Chambers street school. This is estimated at \$50,000 but will probably be somewhat more.

The other \$40,000 will be used for the erection of a new school in the south-eastern quarter of the city. This district is building up rapidly and school accommodation is needed badly. A site has been chosen at the corner of Moss street and Fairfield road. There are at present enough pupils housed in temporary school buildings or in small schools which will be closed to fill an eight-room school.

The board will to-night award the contract for the supply of school stationery and similar supplies for next year.

These tenders for these were received and have been considered by the finance committee.

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No Christmas gift conveys a more delicate compliment to the recipient than fine gloves.

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## CANADA TEMPERANCE ACT.

Petition for Repeal is Defeated in New Brunswick County.

Moncton, N.B., Dec. 18.—Following a petition for the repeal of the Canada Temperance act and in favor of licensing the liquor traffic in Westmoreland county, a vote was taken yesterday and resulted in sustaining the act by a majority of about 700 votes. Moncton city went more than six hundred for the act. The last vote on the question in the county was in 1899, when the act was carried by 25. At a temperance meeting last night it was decided to fight for the right enforcement of the liquor law.

The report of a ... has been heard.

## ROPE QUOITS

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## JUST A WORD IN SEASON.

Surely it is not becoming upon the part of the press of the great "metropolis of the Pacific Coast" to display such furious jealousy of the port of Victoria. Vancouver should be big enough in every way to put such pettiness as has recently been exhibited very far behind it. Both cities have passed the village stage of development. The future of each, whatever irreconcilable and dreamers in either city may affect to believe, is assured. Rivalry in the past has been keen, and has resulted in the publication of a good deal of ill-natured comment upon the relative advantages and attractions of the two places. This rivalry will continue. It is well that it should continue, because it will have a stimulative effect upon the activities of business concerns. But rivalry need not necessarily take the form which it has lately assumed in some of the newspapers of the Terminal City. It should be legitimate, tending to stimulate honorable competition rather than contemptible backbiting. One promotes neighborly interest; the other unneighborly bitterness.

The Vancouver World has been the principal offender against neighborly proprieties of late. It has waged a persistent campaign of slander against Victoria harbor. It has pointed out with malicious regularity the imaginary dangers which attend shipping at this port. The Times's attention has frequently been called to these libels, but has refused to comment upon them because it believed no good purpose could be gained by doing so. The facts we considered most convincing refutation of the allegations. If one cared to make comparisons, the fact could be easily and convincingly demonstrated that in all respects save proximity to rail connection with the East the advantages are all with Victoria. Whether that disadvantage can be overcome the future will disclose. In the meantime, although there has not been a single accident to a ship entering or in the neighborhood of Victoria harbor during the present winter season, there have been many to vessels entering or in Vancouver harbor. The cost to owners of such mishaps cannot have been less than a hundred thousand dollars within a comparatively brief period. Furthermore, did any one ever hear of a vessel being tied up for several days in the harbor of Victoria on account of impenetrable fog?

Least it may be said the comparisons instituted are not fair because they fail to take into account the relative amount of shipping arriving at and departing from the two ports. We may say that, according to federal trade and navigation tables, the tonnage entering and clearing from Victoria for the last year upon record was 1,218,170, surpassed by the port of Montreal only with 1,225,199. Vancouver statistics for the same period 1,950,413 tons.

## PROFIT SHARING AND LABOR'S ASPIRATIONS.

The leaders of the labor movement in Great Britain are not so sure that the profit-sharing scheme of Sir Christopher Furness is altogether so favorable to workmen as it appears to be on its face. They doubt whether it is sufficiently enticing to justify the sacrifice of the potential right to strike. If our labor friends will excuse us for saying so, the potential value of the right to engage in a strike cannot be very great, from a practical point of view, in countries like Great Britain—and in the United States too, for that matter—where there are generally very large numbers of unemployed, eager to obtain work at almost any wage. In British Columbia we have one great enterprise in which the principle of profit-sharing with employees has been in vogue for some years. We refer to the case of the British Columbia Electric Railway and Lighting Company. The experience of all concerned in that case appears to have been entirely satisfactory. It is quite true that employees of that company have been known to express opinions that some other form of procedure, involving of course increased remuneration, would be more pleasing to their understanding, but there is little probability of the ideals of all being reached in this sphere, and on the whole it may be said that nowhere in the world can a more contented company of workers be met. Possibly the industrial unrest in Great Britain has reached the chronic stage as a consequence of political agitation, or it may be that the standard of remuneration is too low there. Whatever the fundamental conditions, the fact remains that the proposition of the great shipbuilding firm

at Barrow-in-Furness has not been accepted with complete favor. It is regarded with suspicion by labor leaders. Consequently the optimistic comments of the British press, such as the following from the Pall Mall Gazette, lauding the reform as a cure for Socialism, do not appear to be entirely justified.

"The principle of co-partnership or profit-sharing promises to do more than any other at this moment to solve the complex riddles of capital and labor. Mr. Balfour's speech yesterday touched on some of those advantages which have already been proved for it in the experience of practical employers; it gives the workman a keener interest in his occupation, increases the output of industry, promotes the sentiment of co-operation, and relegates strikes to the ages of barbarism. Mr. Andrew Carnegie's remarkable testimony to the system is borne out by the experiments in this country of the South Metropolitan Gas Company and of the Armstrong firm at Newcastle. Now, we have the bold venture of Sir Christopher Furness at Hartlepool, the results of which will be watched with the keenest attention. The magic of property, it has been truly said, 'turns sand into gold,' and by enabling the workman to acquire proprietorial interests, there is provided not only a ladder for the rise of efficiency but a solvent for many class passions and social heart-burnings."

## GERMANY'S FLAG OF TRUCE.

The German press is vigorously demanding an armistice in the fiscal war between the Fatherland and Canada. This demand is based upon a conviction, fruit of dear experience, that the conflict is quite injurious to the best interests of both countries. That may be quite true. We have no doubt it is true. But we have no recollection of any complaint being raised by Canada. This country has been quite prosperous for a good many years, although the war has been in force during the whole of the period. It may be that we should have been still more prosperous had the disabilities on trade been removed. However, experience has shown that Canada is not absolutely dependent upon Germany's commercial goodwill—that she continues to travel steadily along the road towards prosperity and national eminence notwithstanding the obstructions Germans fancy they have erected upon that highway. In this respect she has learned by experience something that the United States has also discovered by the same token. Both of these great nations are now showing a disposition to come down. But Canada will hardly extend a hand to help them descend. They initiated the movement in the direction of obstruction. It is for them to back up. Each must retreat a considerable distance, pull many a stone from the tariff wall, before it falls to the level of the Canadian structure. Nevertheless, we doubt not that while a comparatively few Canadians would prefer to have conditions remain as they are, the great majority would rejoice to see a more reasonable policy adopted for the interchange of commodities. Canada produces in abundance many things which, if available upon reasonable terms, would go a long way to make the life of the average German more tolerable. Flour ground from No. 1 hard, we imagine, should be much more palatable in the loaf than rye; good Canadian beef vastly superior in every way to the meat of the fattest, sleekest "daschund," now said to be a marketable commodity in the Kaiser's possessions. As Germany commenced hostilities, she ought to be the first to extend a conciliatory hand. If she does so, and proposes reasonable terms of compromise, it may be that the government of Canada will be pleased to meet her half way.

It must be said of President Roosevelt that he carries an extensive and expressive vocabulary into all his controversies with the opponents of "his policies." His latest outburst ought to flabbergast all enemies of the first dynasty of the United States. "Creatures of the gutter so low that they envy the eminence of the dunghill" ought to bring some measure of relief to a flood of pent-up feelings.

Our Eastern friends are rejoicing at the prospects of celebrating a "white Christmas," which means, a holiday with plenty of snow on the ground and the mercury well down towards the zero mark. Every one to his taste, "as the old woman said when she kissed the cow." Out here we prefer a "green Christmas," and generally we do not find that it implies the condition prescribed in an old proverb.

Japan has entered into an arrangement with the United States similar to the agreement with Canada by which the immigration of Japanese laborers to the republic is restricted to the satisfaction of the States, but the fatuous "total exclusion" idea does not apply.

It will be observed, that President Castro is a long way from the spot where the lightning is likely to strike. There is a suspicion that his most puissant excellency does not care if he never goes back.

The fine old Conservative officials of the Marine and Fisheries department seem to have preserved the "instinct" for easy money.

## Specials for To-morrow



## A Clearing Out of Children's Coats

## Hurry Out Prices on Children's Coats

To-morrow morning we will clear out all our CHILDREN'S COATS at prices that are less than the cost of making. These coats are all styles and sizes, some short reefer, some three-quarter length, some full length. Made of the nicest cloths for children's wear, such as military serge and fancy tweeds; also plain broadcloths and beaver cloths. The styles are the pretty childish effects, so smart and so natty, the sizes range from four years to fourteen years. The prices are as follows:

COATS, worth up to \$4.50. To-morrow morning ..... \$1.00

COATS, worth up to \$8.75. To-morrow morning ..... \$4.50

COATS, worth up to \$5.00. To-morrow morning ..... \$1.90

COATS, worth up to \$12.00. To-morrow morning ..... \$5.75

COATS, worth up to \$6.50. To-morrow morning ..... \$2.90

COATS, worth up to \$15.00. To-morrow morning ..... \$7.50

## Triple Shaving Mirrors on Sale

An ideal gift for a man. We offer a quantity of TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS to-morrow at good price concessions. These are all nice goods, suitable for holiday gifts, and handsome enough to please anybody.

TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS, regular price, \$7.50. To-morrow ..... \$4.50  
MIRROR ON STAND, regular price, \$8.00. To-morrow ..... \$5.50  
TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS, regular price \$8.00. To-morrow ..... \$5.75

TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS, regular price \$12.50. To-morrow ..... \$8.75  
TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS, regular price \$14.50. To-morrow ..... \$9.50  
TRIPLE SHAVING MIRRORS, some beauties. Special to-morrow at ..... \$10

## An Extraordinary Sale of Women's Waists for To-morrow

Waists Worth \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50, and \$4.00 for \$1.25

This is THE Waist offer of the season. We have offered some extra values previously this season, but this offer will eclipse all others. These waists are made of nearly every kind of material that you can think of; lustrous in black, navy, brown, green, cream and fancy effects. Panamas in cream, navy, brown and green. Delaines in fancy effects and plain shades of brown, green, navy, cream and black. Flannelettes in beautiful qualities and handsome patterns, all colors. Challies, rich effects, in fancy designs, also plain colors. Flannels in plain navy and red, also fancy patterns. In fact we have over one thousand waists to sell and they are nearly all different patterns. The values run from \$1.75 to \$4.00. On sale 2:30 p. m. to-morrow at ..... \$1.25

## Christmas Values, Crockery Dept.

CHOCOLATE SETS, \$15.75, \$11.25, \$9.75, \$6.25, \$5.50, \$4.25, \$3.50 and ..... \$2.25  
TEA SETS (5 o'clock), \$5.75, \$3.75, \$3.50, \$2.25 and ..... \$1.75  
TEA SETS, 39 pieces, prices ranging from \$13.50 to ..... \$4.50  
CHINA DINNER SETS (100 pieces), prices ranging from \$75 to ..... \$15  
TEA POT, SUGAR AND CREAM SET, prices ranging from \$5.75 to ..... \$1.75  
CREAM AND SUGAR SETS, prices ranging from \$3.75 to ..... \$50¢  
CELERY TRAYS, prices ranging from \$3.00 to ..... \$50¢  
BISCUIT JARS, prices ranging from \$2.50 to ..... \$75¢  
HAT PIN HOLDERS, prices ranging from \$1.75 to ..... \$50¢  
SALAD BOWLS, prices ranging from \$5.75 to ..... \$25¢  
FANCY FERN POTS, prices ranging from \$2.50 to ..... \$75¢  
PUFF BOXES, prices ranging from \$1.25 to ..... \$50¢  
HAIR RECEIVERS, prices ranging from \$1.25 to ..... \$50¢

MAYONNAISE DISHES, prices ranging from \$1.75 to ..... \$75¢  
BREAKFAST CUPS AND SAUCERS, prices ranging from \$2 to ..... \$50¢  
TEA CUPS AND SAUCERS, prices ranging from \$2.50 to ..... \$25¢  
ALMOND DISHES, prices ranging from \$5 to ..... \$15¢  
ARTISTIC VASES, prices ranging from \$7.50 to ..... \$50¢  
BERRY SETS, prices ranging from \$9.50 to ..... \$85¢  
CAKE TRAYS, with new style handle, prices ranging from \$2.50 to ..... \$1.75  
BERRY SPOONS, quadruple plate, in neat case, gold lined, \$1.75; plain ..... \$1.25  
COLD MEAT FORKS, quadruple plate, in neat case, gold lined ..... \$2.00  
COLD MEAT FORKS, quadruple plate, plain finish, in neat case, for ..... \$1.25  
BUTTER KNIFE AND SUGAR SHELL SET, in neat case, gold lined, \$1.25; plain ..... \$1.00  
BUTTER KNIVES, in neat case, quadruple plate, 75¢ and ..... \$25¢  
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## Specials for To-night

## Parlor Tables, Sale To-night

A lot of dainty PARLOR TABLES on sale at 7:30 to-night. New, fresh goods at prices considerably below the regular figures.

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PARLOR TABLES, in solid mahogany, a dainty and beautiful table. Regular price \$15.00. 7:30 to-night ..... \$8.90

## Sale Women's Handkerchiefs

FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS for women, a lot of dainty embroidered handkerchiefs on sale to-night. These handkerchiefs are two different qualities that we have marked at these prices for special selling to-night. In the regular way they would be much higher. They are hemstitched edge, neatly embroidered in dainty designs. Some very handsome patterns to choose from

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Fancy Handkerchiefs, 7:30 to-night, 12½¢

LOT NUMBER TWO  
Fancy Handkerchiefs, 7:30 to-night, 20¢

## Women's Christmas Aprons

Aprons are always popular for gifts. Our assortment is exceptionally varied, and the values particularly good.

WOMEN'S APRONS, made of fine white lawn, wide skirt finished with deep hemstitched hem, band and sash. Price 35¢  
MAID APRONS, made of sheer lawn, skirt finished with deep frill of lawn, fancy bib of fine Swiss insertion and frills of embroidery. Price ..... \$1.00  
MAID LAWN APRONS, skirt finished with frill of material, fancy bib of Swiss insertion with frill of embroidery over shoulders, bands and sash. Price ..... 35¢  
WOMEN'S TEA APRONS, made of sheer India lawn and spotted Swiss-muslin, finished with pocket and frill around apron of fine Swiss embroidery, pointed effect. Prices range from \$2.00 to ..... 25¢  
NURSES' APRONS, made of pure Irish linen, plain skirt, hand embroidered, and two straps going over shoulder, pointed on front. Price ..... \$1.25

## Men's Presentation Suspenders, 50c

ON SALE TO-NIGHT AT 7:30 P. M.

MEN'S FANCY SUSPENDERS, the President kind. Men who know say that they are the most comfortable kind to wear. The kind offered are very attractive designs and are boxed in handsome Christmas boxes. The value complete would be 75c. On sale to-night at 7:30 p. m. for ..... 50c

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—Jubilee Singers, Congregational  
Church, Saturday night.

—One drunk was disposed of in the  
police court this morning. Being a  
second offender and the patrol wagon  
having been brought into use, a fine  
of \$6 was imposed.

—The second Sunday band concert  
by the Victoria concert band will be  
given on Sunday next, December 20th.  
A first-class programme for the after-  
noon has been arranged and also vocal  
talent secured. No charge will be made  
for admittance.

—The prizes won at the annual ex-  
aminations of the St. Barnabas church  
Sunday school yesterday will be pre-  
sented to the winners at an entertain-  
ment to be held on Monday evening,  
December 22nd, in the lecture room of  
the church.

—The joint committee of the city  
council and the South Saanich coun-  
cil, which has been appointed to dis-  
cuss the erection of an abattoir in the  
suburban municipality was to have met  
yesterday afternoon, but the city  
representatives did not turn up. An  
appointment will be made for some  
afternoon early next week.

—Six pupils are writing on the High  
school entrance examinations under  
City Superintendent E. B. Paul. There  
are two from Victoria and one each  
from Sooke, West Saanich, Goldstream  
and Craigflower schools. The students  
passing now will have to wait for a  
year from next June before they can  
take their preliminary examination  
so that they are little further ahead,  
and this explains why there are so  
few writing at this time. Most of the  
students who intend to go up will  
wait for the June examination.

—The old country relatives of Albert  
Turner, the sailor who was killed at  
the corner of Government and Yates  
streets on February 15th by falling  
from a telephone pole, have written to  
the police for details, although these  
were sent to them at the time. Turn-  
er, it will be remembered, while in-  
toxicated, made a foolhardy ascent of  
a pole and climbed out on the wires,  
but while on his way down again he  
missed his footing and fell twenty  
feet, sustaining injuries from which he  
died an hour later in St. Joseph's hos-  
pital. The chief will send copies of the  
city papers containing the account of  
the accident and the inquest.

—Jubilee Singers, Congregational  
Church, Saturday night.

COUNTY COURT CHAMBERS.

Books Asked For in Richards vs.  
Kynaston Case.

The case of Richards vs. Kynaston  
was to have come on for hearing in  
the county court this morning. In  
chambers before the opening of court,  
however, A. J. Kitto, for the defend-  
ant, applied for a postponement and  
for an order to see the books in which  
the plaintiff kept the time of his men.  
The suit is brought to recover \$480 for  
work done and materials supplied in  
the erection of a building for defend-  
ant at Cadboro Bay. Plaintiff charged  
at the rate of 50 cents an hour and  
for the wages of assistants at union  
rates. Defendant claims that plaintiff  
was to get \$3.50 a day, and that he  
has charged for more time than was  
worked. For this reason a view of the  
books is asked.

J. A. Alkman, for plaintiff, pointed  
out that Mr. Kitto had already had  
the books and had cross-examined the  
plaintiff for discovery very minutely  
on them. His client was ready to pro-  
ceed with the case at once.  
Judge Lampman held that the ap-  
plication was a reasonable one, but  
that Mr. Kitto should have made it  
very much earlier, and for that reason  
he put the costs of the adjournment on  
the defence.  
The case will be set down on the  
January list.

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## CHRISTMAS TREE CONCERT.

Far West Lodge K. of P. Will Give  
Musical Programme To-night.

The "Christmas Tree" concert which  
will be held by Far West Lodge, No. 1,  
K. of P., to-night at 8:15 in their lodge  
corner of Douglas and Pandora  
streets, will be for Knights and their  
families and friends. A splendid mu-  
sical programme has been arranged  
and everything points to a successful  
evening's entertainment.

The entire programme is as follows:  
Piano Solo—Alpine Horn .....  
Song—The Clang of the Forge .....  
Violin Solo—Handel's Largo .....  
Song—Moans ..... J. T. Evans  
Slight of Hand Performance .....  
Carnet Solo—Massa's in the Cold, Cold  
Ground ..... Master E. Vato  
(With Variations).  
Song—La Serenata. Miss Ella G. Cocker  
(With Piano Obligato, G. H. Larrigan).  
Trio—Alice, Where Art Thou .....  
Piano, A. R. Dobson; Saxophone, P.  
O'Brien; Violin, G. H. Larrigan.  
Song—Selected ..... J. C. Brown  
Song—Selected ..... Thos. J. Price  
Accompanists—Mrs. Dr. Lewis Hall, Mrs.  
J. L. Forrester, Miss L. Brooker, Mr.  
A. R. Dobson.  
God Save the King.

## PANTAGES THEATRE.

Extra Performances To-morrow at  
Johnson Street House.

The doors of Pantages theatre will  
open at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon  
for a special early matinee before the  
regular one, and an extra early show  
will be given at night. Additional per-  
formances are necessary to accommo-  
date the large crowds anxious to see  
this week's all-star bill. The pro-  
gramme includes La Lole Heleine as  
"Salome," the seven Hawaiians, Mc-  
Cune and Grant, Francesca Marracci,  
and the regular weekly attractions.  
Another sensation is announced for  
next week in the "Four English  
Belles," singing and dancing girls.

## V. EATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria  
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 18-4 a. m.—The pressure  
remains abnormally high over the North  
Pacific slope, the barometer reading  
30.70 at Spokane and 30.68 at Kamloops;  
light snow has fallen at Kamloops, but  
the weather throughout the whole region  
is fair and cold. In the prairie prov-  
inces the pressure is decreasing on the  
north, light snowfall has occurred at Min-  
nneapolis, but the weather continues cold  
except in Alberta, where it has become  
warmer.

## Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday.  
Victoria and vicinity—Northerly or east-  
erly winds, continued fair and cold.  
Lower Mainland—Light or moderate  
winds, continued fair and cold.

## Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.56; temperature,  
56; minimum, 56; wind, 2 miles N.; weather,  
clear.

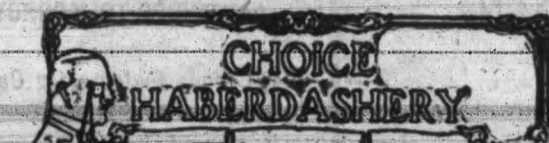
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.40;  
temperature, 26; minimum, 24; wind, calm;  
weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.63; tempera-  
ture, 31; minimum, 23; wind, calm; snow,  
0.2; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.33; tem-  
perature, 40; minimum, 38; wind, 6 miles  
N. E.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.04; tempera-  
ture, 24; minimum, 12; wind, 8 miles W.;  
weather, clear.

Good, sensible presents for the chil-  
dren—Plated knife, fork and spoon  
set to \$1.50 per set. Steel knife and  
fork, 50c set. Plated plate, cup and  
saucer, 50c set. Crochery plate, cup  
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William Lynch, who came out of jail  
on Wednesday was charged by Sgt.  
Walker in the police court to-day with  
being a vagrant. The sergeant said the  
man had been begging on the streets,  
stopping people and demanding money  
on pain of having their noses punched  
in case of refusal.

Lynch said he was a sailor and was  
doing his best to get away on a ship,  
but found things very dull. He came  
here from Vancouver. To the charge of  
begging he put in a denial.  
Magistrate Jay gave him until to-  
morrow morning to get out of town.

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READ THE TIMES

PRETTY WEDDING AT  
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCHMiss Haynes of This City and  
Mr. Kappele United in  
Marriage.

A very pretty wedding took place last evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. It was the marriage of Mr. A. J. Kappele, a well known barrister of Vancouver, and Miss Mabel Haynes, daughter of Mrs. George W. Haynes, of John street, Victoria.

The bride was attired in a very pretty wine colored traveling dress with hat to match. She was attended by Mrs. W. J. Jaffee, of Vancouver. Mr. Kappele was supported by Mr. J. C. Doekrij, of the Terminal City.

The ceremony took place at 7:45. Rev. W. Leslie Clay, pastor of the church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Kappele left last night for the east, going by way of Vancouver. The honeymoon trip will be spent in Toronto, Mr. Kappele's former home, and other eastern cities.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS

## DOMINION.

C. A. Knell, San Francisco; T. A. Musgrove, La Henderson, Seattle; Miss L. Selwood, San Francisco; James Crossan, Nanaimo; A. J. Henderson, J. Milroy, D. Selley, Vancouver; J. W. Welton, San Francisco; W. K. Morley, A. L. Harvey, E. Beuchamp, Seattle; B. Anderson, C. Sanderson, Vancouver; E. C. Sanderson and wife, Indian Head, Sask.; Robert Sanderson and wife, Langley; Jessie Huffman, Mrs. J. A. Huffman, Vancouver; A. Saunders, Fred. Easton, Skidegate; A. Parker, Rocky Point; Sam C. Osburn, John C. Osburn, Priest Rapids, Wash.; Mrs. M. M. Shepard, North Yakima; Miss Charlotte B. Van Cleave, Portland, Me.; Robt. G. Evans, H. H. Simpson, New York.

## EMPRESS.

S. S. Raymond and wife, Crofton; M. A. Ward, R. J. Burde, Alberni; J. Rothwell, C. E. Harvey, Thetis Island; M. D. Couch, Pincher, Alta.; H. A. Pettie and wife, Tyroto; R. W. Jones, Seattle; E. W. Brock, F. W. Clark, A. Scullar, J. A. Fullerton, Mrs. F. C. Saunders, C. A. Godfrey, Vancouver; W. Martin, Winnipeg; F. King, W. G. Tanner, A. Gillespie, Seattle.

## DRIARD.

J. M. Long, Spokane; W. McCarthy, D. D. McPhail, Prince Rupert; H. H. Milburn, Seattle; S. Williams, T. Costerton, J. D. Breeze, Vancouver; H. C. Barnes, Toronto; E. A. Bourgeois, Vancouver; A. R. Bennett, Hamilton; W. Douglas, Nanaimo; Mrs. Seth Thompson, Arthur Mills, Vancouver; C. C. Butler, Toronto; E. Page, A. J. Cox, Seattle; A. D. Stocks, W. Barnard, Montreal; A. J. Winston, Seattle.

## KING EDWARD.

W. Beard, Vancouver; A. Bilton, R. Lockie, Seattle; J. Woodcock, Vancouver; Allen Brooks, Okanagan Landing; E. T. Dobert, Seattle; A. L. McConnell, P. J. Russell, Vancouver; C. D. Emmons, Alaska; N. C. Olsen, Portland; Dr. L. T. Seavey, Port Townsend.

## BALMORAL.

W. E. Kingscott, W. Anthony Williams, Seattle; D. Allen Downes, North Saanich; T. G. Cue, wife and daughter, Cowichan; A. R. Taylor, Nanaimo; W. E. Orr, G. W. Simpson, Eburne; R. D. Shortt, E. Thomas, Seattle.

## QUEEN'S.

C. H. Fregon, J. Fregon, Clayquot; J. L. Sutherland, W. Hill, Vancouver; E. Patton, Strathcona; Jack Graham, Nanaimo; G. L. Mann, Seattle.



## DRESSY BEAVER CHAPEAU.

The crown and part of brim of this hat is pink beaver; an extension of brim is made with a harmonious shade of rose satin, which also faces the whole under brim. A plaited band of same encircles the crown, and a gorgeous bunch of shaded coral and rose plumes are attractively arranged on left side.

Hon. C. J. Paget-Ford has returned from Seattle.

## MARGUERITE PETALS

The cultivation of music has a commercial as well as an educational and artistic value, and the training of a large body of singers, taken from all sorts and conditions of life, is a step in the right direction.

The musical clubs and other kindred organizations of Victoria are doing vital work, and the fact that we crowd forth to hear it, is because we have awakened musically to a desire for the best things in this, as we desire the best in literature or painting. Music has an inspiring effect on most of us. Even though we are not conscious of a particular liking for it, or enjoyment of it yet, when the last vibrations of a great selection cease we feel as if a victorious army with banners had gone by.

Longfellow's great poem "Hiawatha," makes an interesting study musically. We see the frozen forest, dry starting twigs, feel the savage, lonely hunger of the famished, when "forth into the empty forest rushed the maddened Hiawatha." The Indian music, with its harmony, which is built chiefly on variety of rhythm—complex, elaborate, changing rhythm—makes the form of song to flash before the eye, and gives the mind a picture as well as the ear. The cries, the sobs, the sudden holding back of time, all make the legend of Hiawatha memorable.

So far Canada has produced nothing wonderful, but we are a young nation yet, and the awakening is upon us. We have passed from the first age of imitation and crudity into the age when, from one end to the other of our vast Dominion, musical expression has become an absolute necessity.

Our geographical position means much, for the northern nations have always been the deepest thinkers musically. The north always breeds mystics, and no doubt in the near future there will arise a musical "Wizard of the North," who will turn into mighty tone the grandeur of our prairies and mountains, and put into form for us, the rhythmic beats of our mighty waterways.

If the shades of the departed could return to earth it would be well for those women who desire the Franchise and Local Option—anything in fact which the men have the power of granting—to summon Cleopatra to do the "getting" for them. Failing that, a study of methods first employed by her in winning the favor of the famous Roman general, Antony, might be of benefit.

She went to meet him, not as a young girl, but at a time when women's beauty is most splendid, and their intellects are in full maturity. She made great preparations for her journey, but relied most on her own tact and charm.

She received several letters, both from Antony and from his friends summoning her, but she took no account of these letters, and at last, as if in mockery of them, she came sailing up the river Cydnus, in a barge with gilded stern and outspread sails of purple, while oars of silver beat time to the music of flutes and lutes and harps. She herself lay under a canopy of cloth of gold, dressed as Venus in a picture, and beautiful young boys, painted like Cupids, stood on each side to fan her. Her maids were dressed like sea nymphs and Graces, some steering at the rudder, some working at the ropes. The perfumes diffused themselves from the vessel to the shore, which was covered with multitudes, who had rushed to the sight, leaving Antony alone in the market place.

His curiosity excited, he sent to invite her to supper. She thought it fitter he should come to her—and the rest of the story is history.

## To Be Sent With Every Xmas Gift.

"My dear — (Fill this in with the name of the recipient.)

"Please accept this little — with best wishes for a Merry Christmas. I hope it is something that you really didn't need, because to present you with anything useful would be a reflection on your own ability to provide for yourself. I sincerely trust that it is not more valuable than the thing that you will present to me. In the firm belief that you will be able to exchange it soon, offer it as a prize at a card party, or put it in some place where you will not have to pay storage upon it. I am, etc., etc."

Husband: "Well, what did the phrenologist say about Willie's head?"  
Wife: "Nothing. He simply signed and handed me my money bands."

Husband: "Just as I expected—he's going to be a poet."

A pretty girl is known by the mistletoe she hangs up.

A present in the stocking is worth two in a shop window.

There's many a slip 'twixt the mistletoe and the lip.

A little mistletoe is a dangerous thing.

It is a wise child which knows its own Santa Claus.

The Christmas shopper and her allowance are soon parted.

Ellis: "I'm going to hang up my stocking on Christmas."

Stella: "What for?"

"By special request of papa and mamma. You know they believe in Santa Claus."

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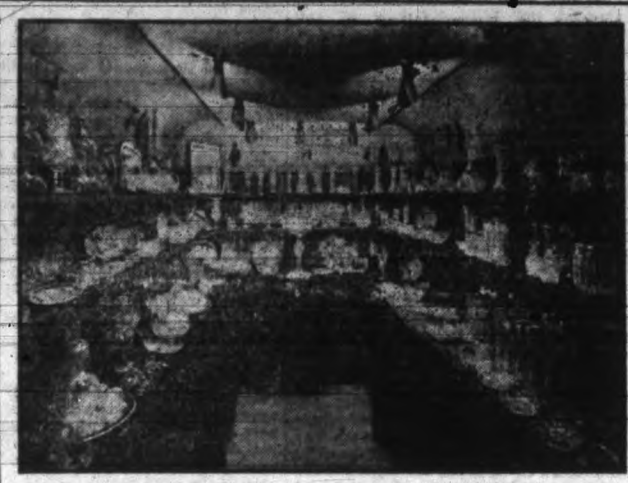
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Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

### NELSON COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD CLASH

Trustees Object to Reduction  
in Figures in By-  
Law.

Nelson, Dec. 17.—There was a clash between the representatives of the school board and the city council at the regular meeting of the latter body over the matter of the by-law to be submitted to the people at the time of the municipal elections to raise additional money to complete and furnish the new school. The school board, through Mr. E. C. Arthur, secretary, and R. G. Joy, chairman, asked that a by-law for \$17,000 be submitted, giving a detailed statement of the use to which the money was to be devoted, but the council cut this amount to \$15,000, which, after allowing for the sale of the bonds at 4 per cent. below par, will net the council about \$14,000.

The items which the council refused to pass included \$3,400 for veneering the old building, while the amount for new desks was reduced by \$450, and \$200 was taken off the amount which it had been estimated that it would cost to fix up the basement of the old school in keeping with that of the new. The reduction made by the council brought the figure to be given the school board down to \$12,500, but the council added to this \$200 for painting the old building and \$400 for extras on the contract for the new school already incurred and also allowed the board \$500 to be spent on the school as it saw fit.

Dr. Arthur strenuously objected to the reduction made by the council and asked to be allowed to withdraw the board's application for the submission of a by-law, but the council refused his request and Mayor Taylor took occasion to point out the position of the council in the matter and in doing so quoted from the school act showing that councils have the power to reject or amend any laws submitted to it by the school board. The latter, however, may insist on the by-law for the amount it asked for being submitted to the people, and in the event of the board insisting on this being done two by-laws will go to the people, one as amended by the council and another for the amounts rejected by the council. Notice of the introduction of the amended by-law was given by Ald. Hale.

### VANCOUVER MAYORALTY

Two Candidates Address Electors of  
East End.

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—A meeting of East End ratepayers was held last night, addresses being delivered by C. S. Douglas and L. D. Taylor, Mayoralty candidates, and by Ald. McGuigan, Mr. T. Kirkpatrick and E. S. Knowlton, aldermanic candidates in Ward III.

L. D. Taylor believed the time had come for civic reform and there was certainly need for some change in the city hall. Again by-laws should be enforced or they should be cancelled.

C. S. Douglas said he would like to see the Second Narrows bridge constructed and thought a commission might be appointed to see to the work, with power to issue bonds which should be guaranteed by the Dominion and Provincial governments. He believed in the nationalisation of Vancouver as a port, and the appointment of a Board of Harbor Commissioners, which should have power to issue bonds guaranteed jointly by the Dominion and the City for the improvement of the harbor.

### SETTLER FOUND DEAD.

(Special Correspondence.)

Skidegate, Dec. 2.—A settler named Blake was found dead in his cabin near Lawn Hill last week by his neighbors. He had evidently been dead several days, having died from heart disease. No papers or letters giving any clue to the dead man's former home or any of his relatives could be found among his effects. The body was interred near his cabin.

### HINDUS WILL NOT LEAVE.

Decline to Accept Even Offer of Police  
Work in British Honduras.

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—Brigadier-General Swaine, governor of British Honduras, left to-day for Ottawa. He was unable even to hire a dozen Sikhs for police work at fairly high wages, and is convinced that all East Indians now in British Columbia will refuse to go anywhere else.

—Good, sensible presents for the children.—Plated knife, fork and spoon, 25c to \$1.50 per set. Steel knife and fork, 15c pair. Enamel plate, cup and saucer, 50c set. Crockery plate, cup and saucer, 25c set. Porridge sets, 50c to \$1.50. R. A. Brown & Co., 1202 Douglas St.

## CANADIANS AMONG "BESTS" IN BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS

There are, of course, hundreds of "bests" in the British parliament. Each constituency, of course, sent its best man. Some of the components of the majority came with a carpet bag from elsewhere—or nowhere, says Charles T. King in the Montreal Standard. Their sudden appearance reminded one of Drury Lane trap-doors and the Brothers Conquest.

### Best Dressed Man.

Here are a few of the superlatives of recent weeks:—  
The best dressed man is Mr. Lewis Harcourt. He comes first among the parliamentary superlatives. He is dressing himself with exquisite taste, and some of the rooms downstairs with spreading palms.

Another superlative is a Canadian, Dr. Macnamara. He is the breeziest speaker in the House of Commons. It was a great pity they put him on the government bench, where responsibility and office sometimes stifle the best things men can do in the way of debate. Yet he deserved the honor more than most.

The curd superlative is the First Lord of the Admiralty. The best exponent of the art of the peppered answer is Mr. Reginald McKenna. He is Dr. Macnamara's chief—painful political thought.

The superlative in the acid line is difficult to name. I think Lord Robert Cecil and Mr. Philip Snowden ought to be bracketed first. Lord Robert has rather more lofty scorn, and Mr. Snowden rather more rasp.

The best case of a warm heart, at any rate on the government bench, is Mr. Augustine Birrell. He has proved, through many a long fight, that real human feeling—and a lovely literary taste can sometimes go together.

### Best Debater.

The best notable debater is a Canadian, Mr. Bonar Law, who fought the government to-day. He will shoot up at the end of a week's debate and without a single note before him, with only the faces of his opponents and the cold, bare top of the brass-bound box to encourage him, he will pick up one by one all the arguments of all his opponents on all the previous days, and will carefully, minutely, and crushingly answer them. But let some unwary Free Trader challenge one of Mr. Bonar Law's quotations. He has eight or nine pockets. Quick as thought he dives a hand into a pocket. Always the right pocket. He pulls out a cutting. Always the right cutting. He reads out an extract which makes the interrupter sorry he spoke.

Another superlative is Mr. Osmond Williams. He is the most beautiful picture in the House of Commons. His hair is silvery and in short waves, and is parted in the middle. His face is handsome, his build sumptuous, his clothes superb. He rarely speaks. When he does it is a sort of olla podrida of miscellaneous extracts from all sorts of sources, from Archimedes to J. M. Barrie.

The most poetical-looking man in the House is an Irish butcher. He comes from Dublin. He is Mr. William Field. Session after session, and parliament after parliament, whatever party is in

power, nothing dims the quaint splendor of his eternal semi-evening dress, which he seems to wear morning, noon, and night, or—diminishes the lush richness of an Irish brogue which is second to none.

### Best Voices.

The M. P. with the best voice would be hard to name. Four rise to notice at once. It would be difficult to beat Mr. Asquith or Mr. Balfour in voice, and during the past 600 years of the history of the speaker's chair there has probably never been a speaker possessing a finer voice for the purpose than Mr. Lowther. The two most distinctly musical voices in the House of Commons come, of course, from the land of Welsh male choirs. They are the hard Mabon, who sits for the Rhondda valley, and Mr. William Jones, of the Arfon division of Carnarvonshire. However bitter both these men are against the opponents of spoilation, their voices are music to the House.

The oldest man in the House is Mr. Young. He is about eighty-six, and looks strong enough to survive several more Education bills and Land Purchase acts. He sits for East Cavan and stands up for Home Rule.

The best abhorrist in the House of Commons is Mr. J. D. Ross. He is one of the few Liberal M. P.'s who have come back from India sane. He has a way of cross-examining his fellow Liberals into the reluctant admission that England is sometimes in the right.

The most independent Liberal is Mr. Harold Cox. Whatever path he strikes he does it well. One of these days he may startle his fellow-Liberals by supporting the government. He is the greatest living opponent of Socialism. In every project the government bring forward, Mr. Cox scents some lurking movement to undermine individual responsibility, and throw a nation of invertebrates on the care of the state. The superlative Scotch wit is the Lord Advocate. He combines bubbling humor with the Presbyterian manner. The best Irish wit among the young emerging men is Mr. Kettle. The ripest wit that ever rasped and contended the Education bill is Mr. Tim Healy.

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CHILLIWACK FAMILY

Incendiary Attempts to Burn  
Down Home of D.  
Marden.

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—A daring attempt at wholesale murder and arson is reported from Chilliwack. The municipal and provincial police are in hot pursuit of the would-be perpetrators of the awful deed, but so far have been unable to get any clue as to their identity.

It was on Sunday that an attempt was made to wipe out the entire family of Mr. and Mrs. D. Morden, of that town, and to destroy their home on Wellington street. A huge pile of hay was placed in front of the house and a large quantity of coal oil poured over it and a match touched to it.

The deed was well planned, and if it had not been that the flames were discovered within a few moments after the fire was started, it is likely that the entire Morden family of five members would have perished as they slept.

An alarm was given, and the flames were extinguished before much damage had been done.

### WOMAN'S LIFE THREATENED.

Attacked By Man in Lonely Cabin  
Near Chilliwack.

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—To be attacked by a strange man while living by herself in a lonely cabin far back in the woods, and to have her life threatened while there was no assistance within reach, was the experience of Mrs. Collis, a Chilliwack woman, a few nights ago.

Mrs. Collis was at home when a knock came to the door, and on opening it a man stood outside. He knocked the light out of her hand, and forcing his way into the room assaulted the woman, brutally abusing her, and threatening to shoot her. Mrs. Collis described her assailant to the police, and as a result a man was arrested, but as the woman could not positively identify him the charge was dismissed.

Mrs. Collis has a son, but he was away from home on the night when the assault occurred.

### SUGGESTIVE OCCURRENCES.

Some of our most useful mechanical appliances owe their existence to the ingenuity of children in fashioning their playthings. Argand, who invented a lamp with a wick fitted into a hollow cylinder, was one day busy in his workshop, sitting before the burning lamp, his little brother was amusing himself by placing a bottomless oil flask over different articles. Suddenly he placed it upon the flame of the lamp which instantly shot up the long circular neck of the flask with increased brilliancy. Argand did not allow such a suggestive occurrence to escape him. The idea of the lamp chimney almost immediately came into his head, and in a short time his invention was perfected.

The telescope owes its origin to a similar occurrence. The children of a Dutch spectacle-maker happened to be playing one day with some of their father's glasses in front of the shop door. Placing two of the glasses together, they peeped through them, and were exceedingly astonished to see the weathercock of the neighboring steeple brought within a short distance of their eyes. They were naturally puzzled, and called their father to see the strange sight. When the spectacle-maker looked through the glasses he was no less surprised than the children had been. He went indoors and thought the matter over, and then the

idea occurred to him that he might construct a curious new toy which would give people a good deal of amusement. Not long after the telescope was an accomplished fact.—Tit-Bits.

### A RELIC OF MAHOMET.

From Uskub comes news of a miraculous event; which has caused much excitement in the Mohammedan world. Lightning struck the mosque there, and set fire to the building, leaving it with all its costly contents, a heap of ashes. Only the most precious relic was left intact—a hair from the beard of the prophet.

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At present during his spare moments Herr Boelike is busy on the plans for a new stage mystery which he says will, when completed, startle the amusement world even more than "Cleo" is now doing. This, if accomplished, as the street gamins would say, "will be goin' some," for to the average layman "Cleo" is about the acme of stage mysteries.

There will be a children's ten cent matinee to-morrow afternoon, and "Cleo" and the other big acts will be seen for the last time to-morrow night.

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Annual Report of Society Shows That Deterrent Influence is Exerted.

The twelfth annual meeting of the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was held in the city hall on Wednesday evening last, when his Worship the Mayor presided. The hon. secretary, Thomas W. Palmer, read the report of the committee, and the treasurer's statement of finances for the year. From the latter the summarized items are as follows: Receipts from all sources, including balance from last year, \$712.68; expenses, \$427.55; balance in hand, \$285.13. The annual report was as follows:

In presenting the 12th report of our work of the society for the past year we draw the attention of the subscribers and members to the fact that not a single prosecution has taken place in the cases which have been brought to the society's notice, and the reasons are twofold.

1. That in all cases where ignorance, thoughtlessness or indifference has been the cause, a caution has effected a remedy, and a second complaint has not been made in a single instance.

2. The refusal of those who have been eye-witnesses to acts of callous cruelty to attend as witnesses in the case of a prosecution.

With respect to the first reason there seems to be an idea in the minds of some of the members that because there are no instances where a prosecution has taken place, that nothing is done in the way of prevention. This, however, is not the case, and in every instance where the complaint is bona fide and backed by the name and address of the informant, a caution is given verbally or by letter, and in the event of such caution being disregarded legal proceedings would at once be taken.

With respect to the second reason, here comes the difficulty: the society is unable to prove the case by the refusal of the informants to give the necessary evidence at the police court.

Your committee desire in this report to express to the president how deeply they feel the obligations that they and the public are under for the untiring labor given so willingly for the protection of those who cannot speak for themselves.

The following is a summary of the cases enquired into by him during this year:

Horses—50 lame, 3 totally unfit, for work condemned, 1 abusing and ill-treating, 2 destroyed. Cows, 9; small animals, 4. Total, 114.

We feel that an unfair burden is put on the shoulders of our president and that a qualified officer paid by this society should be appointed to assist him, and thus supply him with the help he so sorely needs.

An annual general meeting affords an opportunity of reminding the public that the work has been continuous and that the prosecution of offenders only represents extreme cases. Ever watchful eyes have noted where remedial measures might be fitly applied, and a word of suggestion has often been sufficient to awaken the dormant thought of the careless. Still the fact remains that some natures require the presence of a deterrent. The lament that more has not been effected in creating a healthy opinion, may well lead to a closer scrutiny of methods.

"The presence," says the Jersey Times of October 1st, "of penal clauses in the code of Khammurabi, B. C. 2354, reveals the existence of cruel practices, which the law of the land was determined to check. For instance, No. 245 reads thus: 'If a man has hired an ox, and through neglect or by blows has caused it to die, or for ox to the owner he shall render.'"

The Mosaic code was doubtless mainly based on that of Khammurabi, but we are fain to confess our surprise at the discovery of so distinct a tone of humanity in an age that was characterized by much brutality. "But a penalty inflicted upon an adult," the writer goes on to say, "rank with an atmosphere which has been created amongst the young? The instinct of goodness should draw children to the side of kindness, for love begets love. The chief thing is to guide the child's thoughts into the best channel of all, viz. the constant observation of the golden rule, 'to do unto others as you would they should do unto you. Let kindness cease to be occasional.'"

Your committee wish to state to the public their illustration of the foregoing remarks, their endeavor during the coming year, to have some lectures illustrated by suitable lantern slides, provided by this society, for the prevention of cruelty, and the promotion of kindness. These lectures will be given in the various school rooms of the city or other public buildings.

We regret very much, in spite of the protest and good example of our gracious Majesty the Queen, and the constant protest of this society in all parts of the world, that those who should be most upon the side of mercy, are the greatest offenders in still contributing to the wholesale slaughter of beautiful plumed birds, as—green birds of paradise and herons, in order to follow the dictates of fashion.

In conclusion we desire to thank those who have brought instances of cruelty to the society's notice, and to assure all such that the strictest secrecy is practiced with respect to their names. No legal measures are ever taken without the consent of those furnishing the information, agreeing to attend as witnesses. Anonymous letters are frequently received, but in the absence of the writers' names the contents of such letters are of no value.

The thanks of the society are due also to the provincial and city police, the B. C. Electric Railway Company,

and to the city council for their grant to the society's funds.

W. BAUGH ALLEN,  
E. G. MILLER,  
THOS. W. PALMER,  
Report Committee.

The Bishop of Columbia in moving the adoption of the report complimented the report committee on the interesting matter therein contained. He emphasized the necessity of carrying out, if possible, the appointment of an officer who would devote his whole time to the work of the society, and thus be the means of securing convictions in cases of cruelty, which at present the society is unable to do, owing to the disinclination of eye-witnesses to give evidence at the police court.

Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, in seconding the adoption of the report, strongly supported the proposition of the bishop, and expressed his opinion that a man in uniform, in the employ of the society, would be a strong deterrent in cases of cruelty, remarking that the very large increase in the population of the city during the last year or two had multiplied the cases for the society, and the time had come when the work of the president would have to be lightened. He believed if the residents realized the important work of the society there would be a marked increase in the amount of the subscriptions.

Rev. E. G. Miller remarked that although he felt the great need of a paid officer he looked upon the fact of there being no prosecutions during the past year rather as the result of the society's work; the knowledge that the officials were keenly alive to discover cases acted as a strong deterrent.

A discussion took place with respect to the contravention of the by-law as to tying horses in the street (with reference to a recent accident), and on the motion of Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, seconded by the Bishop of Columbia, the secretary was requested to write the police commissioners on the matter.

It was decided to offer two prizes to expressmen owners of horses driven in their express wagons for the best conditioned animals from January 1st, 1909, to the date of the next exhibition.

The secretary stated that it was the intention of the society to have lectures with lantern slides in the school rooms and public buildings in order to interest the young, and he appealed to the members present and others to lend him pictures, prints or photographs illustrating acts of cruelty in order that the slides may be made from them.

## BEATRICE ENCOUNTERED HURRICANE IN NORTH

Storm Swept Over Locke Harbor While Steamer Lay There.

The hurricane which struck this coast last Friday seems to have been felt with equal force at the Queen Charlotte, where the C. P. R. steamer Princess Beatrice was at that time. She had gone into Lockport with some supplies when the hurricane swept Locke Harbor, on the east coast of Moresby Island. Two anchors were dropped, each with 120 fathoms of cable, and these held the steamer.

Locke Harbor is opposite one of the valleys which run across the island, there being practically nothing but low land between it and the ocean. On one side is a mountain, so that the winds are very shifting. So much was this the case that the Princess Beatrice swung on her cables from side to side, the range varying all the way from west by south to southeast by east. Fortunately the sea was smooth. As the wind changed she would come around and the anchors would bring her up with a thud. The barometer dropped very low, falling from 29.75 to 28.45 within 24 hours. This is considered exceedingly low, in fact, some navigators say it is lower than they have seen it for a very long time. In this regard a similar report was brought by the steamer Vado, which encountered the gale in the open water.

Speaking of the difficulties of navigating among the Queen Charlotte Islands, one of the officers of the Beatrice said that the distance given from Lockport to Ikeda Bay on the chart is 48 miles, whereas they always steam it as 36 miles. Ikeda Bay is not marked at all, and many other prominent points are missing or miles from their real location.

As the steamer was entering Prince Rupert Harbor snow was falling, and later it froze hard. Snow had also fallen at Port Simpson and Esquimaux, there being about three inches on the ground.

The Beatrice brought over eighty passengers in all, sixty of whom came from the Queen Charlotte. Many of these were enthusiastic as to the prospects in the islands. Captain Jameson, of this city, made the round trip on the steamer. On the way down Mr. Emmons, of Portland, showed a very fine specimen of gold adhering to a crystal. The crystal was covered with points, and each of these was tipped with gold, forming a few of exceeding beauty. The specimen was presented to Mr. Emmons just before he left. He had seen it and offered \$50 for it, but the owners refused to sell. Just before leaving it was given him as a present, and Mr. Emmons says he intends to pass it on to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington. He states that there is only one like it in existence.

The wheat crop of South Australia this year is officially placed at 20,000,000 bushels, against 19,300,000 bushels final official last year, while the wheat crop of Victoria is officially placed at 24,000,000 bushels, as compared with 12,000,000 bushels last year.

A Pittsburgh dispatch says that when the figures for 1908 are compiled they will show that the tonnage of structural steel, tinplates and wire was larger than the output of 1907. Pipes will not fall far behind, while the greatest loss will be in rails and steel plates. The American Bridge Company reports that during the twelve months ended October 31st the work carried forward amounted to 1,226,127 tons, against 909,700 tons for 1907.

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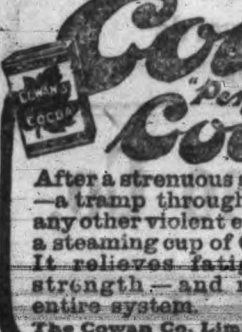
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WALLACHIAN embroidery seems to be the most popular method of the season, and the two designs here given present unbounded possibilities.

The smaller, intended for a belt, may also be used as a finish for each end of a bureau scarf. Nothing could be more attractive than a linen cover,

edged with a plain band of embroidery in white, and the heaviness of the wallachian design is just the sort of thing for this purpose.

The design can also be transferred to ribbon, beading and embroidered in the same shade as the ribbon, for a belt with splashes of varied shades always increases the size of the waist.

The larger of the designs shown is a suggestion for a tray cover. Could any gift be more acceptable to an invalid than a cloth embroidered in this way?

It might also be used for a centerpiece or a table cover by arranging that the semicircles of flowers should almost meet around the edge of the linen.

As for color, white is always better for a dining table decoration, and the same would apply to a tray cloth, but for a table cover to be used in other ways there is no reason why the fancy should not have full play, particularly if the foundation of the cover is unbleached linen.

Mercerized cotton is the best material to employ for embroidery on cot-

ton and linen, and the stitch to be used is, nothing more or less than the buttonhole stitch. It starts from the line

in the middle of the petal and goes to the edge, where the thread is put under the needle to form the finishing chain.

The same method is used in the belt and leaves, while the stems are done in the outline stitch.

Belt

## Many Things Made by Combining Lace and Handkerchiefs

IT IS wonderful how many things can be made by combining lace and handkerchiefs. Corset covers, biber caps, negligees, shirtwaists—indeed, the list is unlimited. Using handkerchiefs is a labor-saving device, because they are hemstitched and may be embroidered, which saves the work necessary in trimming.

Large bandanna handkerchiefs may be made into dressing gowns which fall way below the waist; and who has not seen sofa cushions and porch cushions covered with bandannas or plain

silk handkerchiefs?

One clever woman not only made a sewing apron out of a huge red and yellow bandanna, but she also made a sort of becoming cap, which she could wear round the house when dusting and attending to those many details that go to keeping the house in order. For the apron, she folded over one corner of the handkerchief, making a line of the fold just large enough to reach one-third of the way around her waist. This left the point hanging down in front, and the second point just below the waistline. The latter she cut off, and, after binding the raw edge with ribbon, she sewed it on one side of her apron and made a capacious pocket. The top of the front she bound in ribbon one and a half inches wide, which she made long enough to tie round her waist. The cap she made of a smaller bandanna. Making a circle, about five inches from the center of this she cut holes about two inches apart, through which she ran a band of black velvet. This she pulled up until the crown fit her head, and she tied the black bow in the front of the cap. This left the points of the bandanna hanging down around her face, so she taught these back to the crown, and the cap was finished.

The cap for the baby is made in quite a different way, and it is now the time of year when babies' summer bonnets may be designed. The handkerchief for this must be quite large and embroidered all the way round. After folding it in half, the corners at the fold are brought forward to the middle of the double edge, the lower half is dropped and the remaining corner is brought in to join the others, where a bow holds the cap together. After this is done, what-

ever elaboration of lace or ribbon may be added that the needlewoman sees fit, the strings being fastened to the corners at each side of the face.

### Lace Boleros

LACE and linen boleros became very popular toward the end of last summer, so that they are sure to be worn during the coming season. There are many women who cannot afford to buy imported jackets to wear with linen suits who will be glad to hear that they can make the most beautiful boleros out of cheap lace doilies. These used around the edge and on the sleeves of the jacket will make a splendid effect, and such an idea is within the reach of everybody.

Some women, who wish not only to use lace, but embroidery, will combine centerpieces and doilies, and by matching the groundwork of the centerpieces they will have the material for as handsome a bolero as ever was brought to this country.

### A Plain Matinee

A NEW kimono dressing sacque is designed with ribbon run through the material five inches below the neck line and around the full sleeves. The sacque can be made of flannel or soft silk, and the edges may be hemmed and feather-stitched, or buttonholed. The ribbons do not hold the sacque in any way, but merely provide the necessary ornamentation. Otherwise it is totally without trimming.

### Ribbon Flowers

TO TAKE the place of a butterfly bow, roses made of ribbon are worn with a stiff collar. The fashion, however, is not particularly attractive, for the ribbon flowers are rather ponderous looking and are really too thick to wear at the throat. A daisy or primrose of ribbon would be far more attractive, and there is no reason why they should not be made by some clever girl and worn instead.

### Bridal Pin Cushion

A MOST attractive pin cushion is embroidered with heavy silk floss in a primrose design. The center of each flower is formed by a little glass bead and the frill around the cushion is of sheer ribbon edged with beads. The foundation for this cushion may be white, pink or blue satin silk.

If the design of a pompadour ribbon would better suit the character of the room, the cushion may be made of this, and each flower in the silk outlined in white floss, while the beadwork idea may be carried out in the center. Gold beads are very effective when bound round the pin cushion, particularly if it be of a reasonable size. Speaking of size, pin cushions should not exceed five square inches.

Sometimes, particularly dainty women like to have their initials on all their belongings. When they are put on the pin cushion they should be in the lower right-hand corner, and embroidered in either beadwork or silk floss.

## Silver Bags

WHETHER it consists of only an odd set of grandmother's spoons or a complete supply of handsome table furnishings too precious to be left to the careless hands of the maid in buffet drawer or silver chest, all housewives have trouble in keeping their silver in good condition when not in use.

Try buying the requisite amount of double-faced cotton—daisy cloth it is called—and make long strips as wide as the length of the set of forks, knives or spoons for which it is destined. Sew this cross-ways by machine in best—the width required for each separate piece, making little, long narrow pockets, into which the silver may easily be slipped. Bind with braid or ribbon, tacking a piece of the same on the outside so when the articles are placed the case can be pulled up, tied and carefully tucked away for future use.

The larger pieces may have bags made of the same, and if put away fresh from hot water and soap suds, and if with each roll of silver a tiny piece of camphor be placed, your treasures will never tarnish, and will be ready at any moment to either bedeck your own festive board or to loan to a neighbor friend, as the case may be.

## Covers and Curtains

IN these days of the craze for things colonial, it is well to have the little things of life in accord, and nothing could be more appropriate or daintier than covers and curtains seen in the charming, but inexpensively furnished home of a young matron who had picked up here and there bits of old furniture to match the few pieces which had descended to her from a doting grandparent, and who found a little house suited for their display, and incidentally, the size of her husband's pocketbook.

Her mahogany chest, bureau and little sewing table had covers made of organdie just the size of the article to be covered. These were simply hemmed with an inch-wide hem, and about one-half inch inside this hem was sewed, on both sides, another inch-wide piece of the goods, making a simulated tuck. Could anything be simpler? Yet the effect was so quaint and appropriate, especially as each curtain for the many-paned windows were made the same way. These were draped with valance and side drapery of quaint-flowered chintz, and gave the finishing touch to the whole.

## Centerpiece Roll

A CONVENIENCE for the dining room much appreciated by those who take pride—and who does not?—in the number, variety and condition of their centerpieces and doilies is a receptacle made to keep them from being creased when laid away.

A long roll of cardboard, as long as the width of your largest centerpiece, is first wrapped in cotton wadding and then covered with flowered silk—or cretonne is really better—and the ends are gathered and tied with ribbon.

Take next a square of the material the size of the length of the roll. Line this with a contrasting shade—blue is good, as it assists in keeping the contents from yellowing—and bind with the ribbon.

To use, place the centerpieces on this square, putting blue tissue paper between, wrap carefully around the padded tube and tie with a ribbon tacked to the cover.

The tube may be filled with lavender or rose leaves before covering, and the quaint old-fashioned scent will add a further charm to the dainty linen thus stored away.

## Some Elaborately Trimmed and Embroidered Shirtwaists

ALL of the newest shirtwaists are most elaborately trimmed and embroidered. In fact, except in the very plainest of tailored waists, lace must be laid in all sorts of fanciful designs in the back as well as in the front, while the sleeves are sectional and much trimmed. The only way to successfully make a waist of this sort is, after having cut the material, to baste it firmly to a piece of stiff brown paper. When this is done the lace may be pinned on and the embroidery laid without pulling the shirtwaist out of shape. Without the firm backing of the paper all designs will surely be crooked and the tight material will lose all semblance to the lines of the waist.

A very attractive waist is made entirely of strips of material either woven into a lattice work and finished at the intersections with medallions of lace, or else laid diagonally across the front, alternating with bands of lace or embroidery. The pattern of the waist is first cut in brown paper, and on this the material and lace is basted. It would be obviously impossible to get the shape of the waist in any other way without wasting much work and running the risk of the lines being most unbecoming and out of proportion.

The most useful tailored blouse for the coming spring will be gingham with a stripe of silk or embroidered French plaid. For more dressy ones tulle, mull, chiffon, Irish lace and finest linen will all be used. The

latter, with the exception of the Irish lace, must all be trimmed and embroidered in every intricate way, and left over from last year a waist embroidered in a solid stitch, for then it is possible to cut out the design close to the edge and applique it to the new waist with the buttonhole stitch.

The sleeves of the new waists are Mikado shape tacked up on the shoulders, with an undersleeve of lace. The blouses for dressy occasions will retain elbow sleeves, but tailored shirtwaists will be finished in the masculine cuffs.

Of course, all of the new lingerie dresses are made in one piece, even in striped linens and the gingham, but the women of America have grown so fond of the convenient blouse that they will find it beyond their power to entirely do away with their favorite style of dress. Besides that, many will wear last spring's suits as second best, and for this the blouse is a necessity. Some will make suits of last year's jumper dresses by taking the jumper and making it into a trimming for the blouse and combining what is left with taffeta for the sleeveless coat.

Scotch braid is as popular as ever, and, indeed, whole bodices are made entirely of this material. It is very attractive, too, when combined with chunky lace or silk.

To return to the subject of gingham dresses, they are all made with gumples and sleeves of linen, lace or minkos. The necks of the gingham overbodices are cut square, and sometimes trimmed with an inside ruffle made of the hemstitched hem of a hand-

kerchief, and beside this the more elaborate gumples look very well. She who does not like the gingham and linen dresses will find just what she wants in the new cotton voile, which is just as soft, and is made in the same variety of colors as either voile or silk. Many of these are made with the deep border effects, and this is charming for skirt and sleeveless coat, while the waist of the suit is of flax net, finished in bands of voile.

## Angora Bonnets

ANGORA wool is the softest and warmest yarn with which bonnets for babies can be made. It is not only dainty and attractive looking, but it may be knitted in the plainest of knitting stitches, and yet look as complicated as possible. Angora for this purpose is much more satisfactory than fur or any sort of carcass, for it washes easily and without shrinking, while fur must be sent to the cleaner's, and is not as sweet and fresh as plain little yarn bonnets.

The prettiest caps are made of white Angora with a rosette on each side of the head, a connecting ribbon joining the two.

A fascinating gray yarn is shown in the shops, and when made up it is almost indistinguishable from the soft fur of a Maltese kitten. The gray caps are usually trimmed with natter blue ribbon, and sometimes a little bunch of pink rosebuds is tucked in over one ear.

Some of the very stylish babies carry muffs made of yarn to match their caps, and they are quite warm and a very becoming adjunct to the infant wardrobe.

## Lamp Shades

ONE of the most difficult things to find in the shops is an original and beautiful lamp shade. The prettiest and most easily made are those done at home on a wire frame. First, stir a piece of pompadour ribbon so wide that it reaches the top and bottom into the rim at the lower edge; add a frill and cover this with gold lace. At the top of the shade, where the wire frame spreads again, make a design of ribbon embroidery, having first fastened on the flange a foundation of flax net. This may be made in as intricate design as the work-woman may see fit. In using pompadour ribbon it is not necessary to line the shade, for the seams all finish in little frills of their own. If the finished lamp shade is not elaborate enough with the combination of net, pompadour ribbon and lace, it is very easy to sew paillettes wherever they will be most effective, and, by using this idea, the shade will be sure to suit the most particular.

## Dainty Corset Cover

A DEAR corset cover seen the other day was simplicity itself compared with its fellows, but was well worth copying.

Made of striped sheer dimity, it was faced neck, armholes and belt line with a large dotted swiss. Through this was run rather wide pink ribbon. That was all, except where dotted swiss and dimity joined, it was featherstitched, but it made a most charming little affair to wear, especially with breakfast jacket or matinee.

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### CHAPTER XIII. (Continued.)

And Lorimer found his long, thin legs, and gathered the tattered silk of his gown about his waist, as he always did, before commencing work.  
"How old are you, my man?" Lorimer began.  
Curtis shook his head, smiling.  
"How old are you?"  
"I don't know."  
"Do you mean seriously to tell his lordship and the jury that you don't know how old you are?"  
"Yes," laughing.  
"About?"  
"About what age are you?"  
"I don't know."  
"Are you fifty?"  
"I don't know."

"Answer the question," said the judge, briefly.  
"Yes," said Curtis.  
"Then you are fifty?"  
"I don't know."  
"Where were you born?"  
"I don't know."  
"Suppose you were born in China, somewhere?"  
"Perhaps San Francisco," Curtis hazarded impartially.  
"Well, at any rate you state you are a Christian?"  
"Yes."

"Yet you admit you lied to Mr. Maurice Courlander, and that you broke into the accused's house?"  
"Yes, I am a Christian."  
"And you seem to have little regard for human life. How is that?"  
"I am a Christian," Curtis repeated, seemingly afraid lest Mr. Lorimer had not yet comprehended the assertion.  
"When did Mr. Maurice Courlander tell you that he knew the accused to be the murderer?"  
"It was the full moon."

"Which full moon?"  
"The full moon," said Curtis; and threw a short glance at the judge as though asking the judge to let him know immediately if it was the proper thing to believe that the earth had two moons.

Mr. Lorimer sighed, weary.  
"And how soon afterwards did you discover the—instrument?"  
"Two days."  
"To whom did you give it?"  
"My master."  
"Did Mr. Maurice Courlander give his reasons for his conviction that the accused had murdered his father?"  
"No."  
"And you did not ask him?"  
"No."  
"You had no curiosity?"  
"Magic," murmured Curtis, with a far-away look.

"Liar!" Maurice muttered to an astonished Parculier. "I told him why I knew. Why doesn't he say so?"  
At two o'clock the judge broke into the cross-examination.  
"Shall you be much longer, Mr. Lorimer? If so, I'll adjourn at once for lunch. If not, I'll continue."

The judge rose. Half the reporters made a simultaneous dash for the telegraph office. Crampiron vanished below ground. In three minutes the court was occupied only by one old usher, and two young married women who, having bribed him with smiles, were eating sandwiches there. Maurice and Berger were in a private room at the Union, and the bars and coffee-rooms of the seventy and seven hotels in Bedford were busy as they had never been busy before. The Chinaman was on all tongues; the Chinaman had made a brilliant debut in an English witness box. People wondered where he lunched, and whether he ate lunch with chop-sticks. But no one had the felicity of seeing him eat.

After lunch the court was more than ever crowded. Carfax was called to give evidence. Sibthorpe had not been perceived anywhere. Carfax was accustomed to the scientific presentation of facts. In a few words he related how Maurice had handed him the curious instrument, and how, armed with a search warrant, he had visited Crampiron's bedroom and examined the ledge over the top of the door, and found minute traces of dried blood there, such as might have been left by the curious instrument.

The audience remarked that when Mr. Lorimer rose to cross-examine him it was with a most cheerful demeanor. "What date was this, Carfax?"  
"I have looked at my diary, and at the almanac. It was on the second of August; and full moon was on the thirty-first of July."  
"Ah! Supposing I suggest that this instrument had been placed on the ledge over the door by Curtis himself? Why should you say?"  
"I should say that if Curtis placed it there he must have placed it there several weeks before his suspicions were directed to Crampiron."

"Why?"  
"Because the spot which had been occupied by the instrument was comparatively free from dust; whereas all the other part of the ledge was thick with dust. Moreover, there was much dust on the instrument."

"Does it not strike you as extremely odd that the accused should have selected such a peculiar locality for hiding the instrument?"

"It strikes me as exceedingly clever," said Carfax. "A better hiding-place could not have been chosen. Who would ever think of looking there?"  
"Curtis thought,"  
"What are you driving at, Mr. Lorimer?" Inquired the judge.  
"I am driving at Curtis," said Lorimer, K.C., in mean to ask your lordship's permission to recall him.  
"As you wish. But why?"  
"Because during the luncheon interval I have had an analysis made, and I am in a position to prove that the dried blood on the instrument is not human blood, but dog's blood."

It was a very pretty, dramatic effect that Lorimer, K.C., had obtained.

### CHAPTER XIV.

Verdict and Sentence.

On the morning of the trial of Abraham Crampiron at Bedford, there had occurred, in another place, a scene which was to react in the most extraordinary way on the assize court a few hours later. The other place was Lord Doncastle's private room in the Houses of Parliament. Lord Doncastle was enjoying his ordinary flute practice (he kept, as is well known, a silver flute at Downing street and a wooden flute at the House of Lords), while a secretary opened, and Lord Doncastle, who was not enjoying his ordinary flute practice, seemed moody, and much less indifferent than usual. The fact is that the Prime Minister was disturbed about the Crampiron trial—he was very disturbed. Owing to the illness of the Sultan of Morocco, the financial transactions which were to save Morocco from ruin had been suspended. The Sultan was now better, and the affair, under the chair of Crampiron, who did not allow the accidents of private life to interfere with business, was resumed. But, supposing that Crampiron were convicted, where then would the loan be, and where would be the English government? The failure of the loan would mean peace instead of war, and none knew better than Doncastle that a European war alone could save the ministry. Moreover, the conviction of Crampiron would in itself be a severe blow at the prestige of the ministry and of Lord Doncastle in particular. For had not Lord Doncastle offered him an earldom? Now a wise Prime Minister ought not to offer an earldom until he has assured himself that there is no fear of the recipient of the offer being executed for murder within the next three months.

Doncastle did not by any means think that Crampiron would actually be convicted and sentenced. The shocking death of his old friend Lord Courlander had been a great grief to him; but he believed positively that Crampiron was innocent. Doncastle's intellect was not simple; it was his soul that was simple. And Crampiron had somehow captured his soul, and had drawn to himself that sympathy which Lord Doncastle was ready to give as he was to demand. Lord Doncastle deemed himself bound to Crampiron by sentiments of honor.

Hence his moodiness over the flute. He considered that Crampiron would be innocent, but on the other hand, there was just a chance that he might be condemned—the caprices of furies and the singularities of such judges as Walworth were incalculable. And parliament was to meet in four days. Doncastle hated autumn sessions, but he had wasted so much time splitting hairs during the summer session, that he had been compelled to yield to an influential call.

Lord Doncastle put his flute into its case, and then, the secretary not having finished the cutting of envelopes, he did a thing which he never did, that is to say, when he was sane. He picked up a newspaper. It was the secretary's newspaper, the Daily Record (the secretary was young). The Daily Record was full of the Crampiron trial, though when it had gone to press the trial had not commenced. And Doncastle, being quite unversed in the fifth page with all the "news" of the day, he was unacquainted with the aims of the Daily Record, and the idealistic methods by which the Daily Record had obtained its vast circulation. He did not know that when the world-life of the previous twenty-four hours failed to reach the Daily Record's standard of interest, the Daily Record whipped it into the standard. All he knew about the Daily Record was that its proprietor had once demanded a postage, and got it. Among other items which Lord Doncastle perused was this, from the Paris correspondent of the Daily Record:

"I understand that Miss Norah Crampiron has died at Paramé, near Dinant. For some reason the death was kept secret. But there is no harm in saying that my informant had the information on unquestionable authority. Miss Crampiron died from brain fever brought on by shock. She shall have all particulars to-morrow."

Doncastle instantly sat down and composed a letter of condolence: "My Dear Crampiron," he wrote, "I cannot allow a moment to elapse without telling you how very sorry I am to hear of the death of your daughter at Paramé. I did not know even that she was ill. Please accept my sincerest sympathies, and my best wishes. I cannot, in my position, write to you as one private individual to another. Nothing shall or can prevent me from assuring you of my great sympathy with you in your bereavement. Believe me, Yours most sincerely."

envelope (a sinister address!) the Home Secretary, having knocked abruptly, came into the room. Mr. Bott, member for the Biggleswade division of Bedfordshire, was a Labor M.P., representing the agricultural interest. He was an earnest and very capable man, but the fact that he was the first Labor M.P. to reach cabinet rank had been perhaps a little too much for his balance. Moreover, as a son of a tall, thin, blue reefer suit and a slouch hat, he could not help sticking out a defiant chin to the House of Lords even before the House of Lords had struck out a defiant chin at him. He made a point of frequently bearding Lord Doncastle in his den, partly to prove to the pompous doorkeepers that a slouch hat was a hat for a' that, and partly to make it plain to Lord Doncastle that a Labor minister was exactly as good as any other minister—if not better.

"I have only five minutes," he said, shaking hands.  
"What is about to-day?"  
"I have to open a Chrysanthemum show."

"A what show?" inquired Lord Doncastle, unused to the abbreviations employed by gardeners and other agriculturists.  
"A Chrysanthemum show at Bedford. I promised six months ago."

"My dear fellow," said Doncastle, "you can do me a service. Will you deliver this letter for me?"  
Mr. Bott's state of mind when Doncastle called him his "dear fellow" was complex. He was flattered, and at the same time anxious to indicate to Lord Doncastle that if Lord Doncastle thought he could flatter him, Lord Doncastle was wrong. In short, Mr. Bott meant to be no one's dear fellow. However, he took the letter, and when he saw the address, he lifted his eyebrows at Doncastle.

"Just hand it to the proper official," said Lord Doncastle, steadily. "If you are sure it won't be troubling you too much?"  
"Not at all," said Mr. Bott, whom Lord Doncastle's charming politeness always inspired to feats of politeness intended to be equally charming.  
Mr. Bott reached Bedford, and opened the Early Chrysanthemum show, which was a sad failure. He ventured to remark on the paucity of the attendance, and the reason was explained to him. He then remembered the letter which he had been charged, and he suddenly decided that it would not be a bad thing for a Labor minister to emphasize to the local mind his social and political importance by calmly going and taking a seat on the judge's bench.

This he did, and in so doing taught ushers and bellmen higher even than ushers, that a Labor minister is not to be trifled with. He gave the letter to the judge's valet, with injunctions that it should be handed to Crampiron at once. The judge's valet, who was a man of the highest class, and who was a member of the local blood-corporation of nearly all the different vertebrate species, it was at the precise moment when the Professor was leaving the box that the most dramatic incident of the day happened. A note had been handed by an usher to Lorimer, K.C., (the judge's valet had not hurried over his task). Lorimer had handed it to one of the officials in charge of Crampiron, and that official had handed it to Crampiron. Crampiron tore it open. Everyone witnessed the act. Mr. Bott saw that the authority of the Home Secretary had not been flouted. Then everyone, including Mr. Bott, saw Crampiron sink to the ground in a swoon, softly and noiselessly—as an inert body always falls.

And Mr. Bott wondered what trick Lord Doncastle had been playing on him, Mr. Bott.  
When a doctor, having failed to restore Crampiron to consciousness by ordinary devices, had ordered his removal—it was strange how the centre of command shifted abruptly from the judge to the commonplace general practitioner—the judge rose and gruffly stated that the sitting would be suspended for half an hour at least, and departed. Mr. Bott remained.

Maurice, after lunch, had resumed his seat near Parculier, and as the judge disappeared he said to Parculier: "Think the thing will be over to-day?"  
"No!" said Parculier positively.  
"Then I shall just go and send a telegram to my sister."

With difficulty, and certainly not without drawing much attention to himself, he forced his way out of the building. Scarcely anyone else save a few reporters of London evening papers moved. Conversation was free in court, the judge being absent, and the excitement caused by the strange hitch in the evidence for the crown, and by Crampiron's collapse upon receiving the mysterious letter, had full vent and licence. Nobody was more exercised than Maurice by the utterly unforeseen turn of events. He, who knew more of the inner heart of the affair than any other person, was the most puzzled of all. At the moment, what chiefly and before everything else, rendered him uneasy, was the absence of Curtis. He had distinctly told Curtis that he was within call, and had, in fact, meant to send him to Tudor Hundred with a message to Millicent.  
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He considers the climate here suitable to his purposes and sees a large market locally and among the Sound cities for high-class carriage and saddle horses. He has been fourteen years in business in Fremont, supplying horses among others to J. D. Archibold of New York, and J. Graham Babcock, the railway millionaire. He is also owner of the champion stallion pony Fritts, at one time in the hands of the Rothschilds which has never been beaten.

In the event of Mr. McCleave securing a suitable estate near Victoria, the champion pony will be brought here among other high-class stock.

"The Sound cities," said Mr. McCleave this morning, "should offer a large market for the sale of high-class horse flesh suitable for carriage and riding purposes. Victoria I notice is a sound and apparently a very wealthy city and there should be a demand here for the best kind of horses. I have looked over the ground slightly and I am of the opinion that my line of business would in time be successful. It will cost a lot of money to secure the property I want and to bring in my breeding stock, but my idea is to establish a first-class stud farm for the breeding of nothing but the highest class of carriage and saddle hackneys. I am willing to make the outlay necessary if I feel assured there is the business to warrant it and from what I have heard up to the present I believe the market is here."

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Reeve Quick is a candidate for re-election and is pretty certain to be returned by acclamation. No other name is mentioned for the position. There are several candidates out in four of the wards and others are spoken of. So far as Ward one and two are concerned, the campaign has not started. Councillors Nicholson and Pointer have not yet decided whether they will seek re-election, and no other candidates have been spoken of. Councillor Scott is retiring in Ward three, and J. Tracey is likely to run. Councillor Dunn also is retiring in Ward four, and unless other candidates crop up the contest will be between Charles Jones, Strawberryvale, and W. Clapperton.

The fight in Ward five will be a warm one, as there will be four candidates in the field, and perhaps more. Councillor Mannix will be opposed by J. Grant, R. Trickey and S. Cameron. Councillor Haldon will be opposed in Ward six by C. H. Gillan, and there is a likelihood of there being another candidate.

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Hundreds of pieces of the richest crystal in the most fascinating cuttings are involved—Bowls, Nappies, Bonbons, high and low; Jugs, Celery and Spoon Trays, Carafes, Vases, and all the most popular items made in Cut Glass are presented in a bewildering array, at prices no other store can name for equal quality of material, superiority of workmanship and elegance of finish.

The goods speak for themselves—and they are here for you to critically examine. Come early.

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Gift time is here. Our stock offers broad selection among items that have been selected with extremest care and inspected in the most thorough manner before being presented to the public.

Charming indeed are the exquisite bits of imported China that may be purchased for very little money and be most acceptable to the recipient.

A word of advice—buy your presents early—early in the day and early in the week.

## COMFORT GIVING GIFTS

Perhaps your friend got a Morris Chair or an Easy Chair of some description last year—then send one of these Foot Rests.

You'd be surprised what excellent "resters" these are. They are an almost necessary addition to the easy furniture line—if you would get the full benefit.

We make these in our own factory, and they come in Mission design, finished Early English, Golden Oak or Mahogany. All are upholstered in leather. Made just the proper height for perfect rest. Price is—

\$3.50

## BOOK STANDS

Useful little Book Stands for table use—they'll hold about 10 or a dozen books.

Made in Mission style and very attractive.

For a low priced article it is hard to beat. Only—

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## HANDSOME CUSHIONS

If you want something real good in cushions why not see these beautiful silk, hand embroidered cushions? They are handsome cushions.

Best quality covers, frilled, and filled with down. Priced at, each—

\$8.50

## LINEN BED SPREADS

Linen Bed Spreads, packed in a separate carton—all ready for gift-giving purposes, and at a popular price, \$5.00.

These are pure linen, embroidered, and measure 2 1/4 x 3 1/4 yards.

Makes a very suitable gift for the keeper of the home—or for some prospective home-keeper. Price is only—

\$5.00

## SILK TABLE COVERS

Something neat in pretty silk table covers. Square shaped and measuring 36 in. Priced at, each—

\$2.25 and \$5.50

## WEILER BROS.

HOME, HOTEL AND CLUB FURNISHERS—VICTORIA, B. C.

longer stand the present rate of use. The great north and the Pacific Coast with its Douglas fir, would have to deal with the whole world. Transportation was the great problem, but in a few years with increased railway facilities the timber would come out in large quantities. Later, too, the Panama canal would permit of steamship routes with all ports of the world; whereas now only sailing vessels could afford to make the trip around the Horn.

Another phase of the problem as dealt with by Dr. Clark was the preservation of the supply. He told of the inroads being made in the north by the fires, and called upon the government to first consider this fire problem, the most important of the preservation of forest wealth campaign. In Michigan this year alone

\$400,000,000 worth of timber had been destroyed.

Then there was the other side of the question. A new growth. Reforestation was a part of this phase of the question, but, in the opinion of the speaker, reforestation was not so important as the careful selection of the timber and the allowing of the smaller trees to mature after the good stuff is taken out.

## A "REFeree's" JUDGMENT.

To the Editor:—Readers of the Colonist were made to sit up at breakfast this morning and let their tea cool, to give all their attention to this astounding statement: "Colonist readers know that not on a single occasion has this paper attacked the Times, although constantly subjected to such attacks," daily, weekly, monthly by the Times. How unfortunate the "closure" promised this morning was not

applied to the Colonist's staff before this very inaccurate statement was published by your forgetful contemporary. It would be editing to know what is the Colonist's exact definition of attacks "in newspaper parlance." But I fear I am too late, as "Sir Oracle," with the hauteur of Media and Persians, is "unchangeable," and, wisely, will speak no more.

Would the definition amount to smart sayings with more or less (especially more) asperity and distortion of facts? When the Times has been inclined to be naughty in this respect it was, in my experience, generally in giving a well-deserved Roland for an Oliver, instead of crouching like a poor cur to lick the hand that whipped it, or tried to. All animals that retaliate for undeserved violence and "injustice" are described by us, Canadians, as "mean," and anything like sympathy goes to the other fellow.

Victoria, Dec. 17th.

REFeree.

## CLOSING DAYS OF OUR CLOSING OUT SALE

—OF THE—

## OLD COUNTRY SHOE STORE

This Sale Must Close by the End of the Year.

Since this sale was commenced we have done an enormous business, but to make a speedy clearance of every shoe in stock we shall cut the price to the core, regardless of loss or cost. Remember this is the place to buy good, reliable footwear for a fraction of its value.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, WE SHALL COMMENCE THE FINAL SLAUGHTER COME EARLY, AS THEY WON'T LAST LONG AT THESE PRICES

MEN'S BOX CALF VICI KID AND BOSTON CALF BOX.

Values up to \$4.00. Closing out price ..... \$1.50

MEN'S GRAIN CONGRESS. Regular price \$2.50. Closing out price ..... \$1.00

MEN'S PATENT SILVER COLT BLUCHER BOOTS. New last and dressy shoes. Regular \$5.00. Sale price ..... \$3.45

MEN'S HEAVILY NAILED WORKING BOOTS. Made of oiled cowhide. Regular \$3.00. Sale price ..... \$1.95

LADIES' VICI AND CALF BALS. Regular price ..... \$1.25

Closing out price ..... \$1.25

WOMEN'S HEAVY COUNTRY BOOTS, plain toe. Regular \$2.00. Closing out price ..... \$1.25

MISSES' BOOTS. Regular \$2.00 and \$2.50. Closing out price ..... \$1.25

BOYS' STRONG BOOTS. Regular price \$2.00. Closing out price ..... \$1.25

XMAS SHIPPERS, a nice variety, at closing out price.

COME EARLY, AS WE SHALL BE CROWDED IN THE EVENING.

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